



Vice Adm. Forrest Faison, Navy surgeon general and chief, U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, tours the Brazilian Navy Operational Medical Center during a four-day trip, March 11-14, to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with Brazil. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John Paul Kotara II/released)

NAVY SURGEON GENERAL STRENGTHENS NAVY MEDICINE'S TIES WITH BRAZIL

Vice Adm. Forrest Faison, Navy surgeon general and chief, U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, met with senior officials and toured Brazilian Navy medical facilities during a visit to Brazil March 11-14.

Accompanied by Force Master Chief Hosea Smith, director, Hospital Corps, this series of meetings gave Faison the opportunity to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with their Brazilian counterparts.

"Our friendship with Brazil and the friendship between our militaries is not only important to preserving peace and stability in light of the global challenges we face, it is important because of our ability to work together in order to save lives," Faison said.

Here are some photos from the trip:



Vice Adm. Forrest Faison, Navy surgeon general and chief, U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, bids farewell to Vice Adm. Edmar da Cruz Areas, director of Brazilian Navy Health, at the Brazilian Navy Health Directorate during a four-day, March 11-14, trip to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with Brazil. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John Paul Kotara II/released)



Force Master Chief Hosea Smith, Hospital Corps director, bids farewell to Rear Adm. Luiz Cláudio Barbedo Fróes, director of the Marcílio Dias Naval Hospital, at the Brazilian Navy Health Directorate, during a four-day trip, March 11-14, to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with Brazil. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John Paul Kotara II/released)



Vice Adm. Forrest Faison, Navy surgeon general and chief, U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and Force Master Chief Hosea Smith, Hospital Corps director, pose with Vice Adm. Edmar da Cruz Arêas, director of Brazilian Navy Health, and staff at Marcílio Dias Naval Hospital during a four-day trip, March 11-14, to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with Brazil. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John Paul Kótara II/released)



Vice Adm. Forrest Faison, Navy surgeon general and chief, U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and Force Master Chief Hosea Smith, Hospital Corps director, participate in a meeting at the Brazilian Navy Health Directorate during a four-day trip, March 11-14, to strengthen Navy Medicine's ties with Brazil. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John Paul Kótara II/released)